

CHURCH HILL NEWS

MRS. VAN WILLIS

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoopes and family of Wilmington, Del., spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Walls to help celebrate Mrs. Walls' birthday.

Birthday greetings to Mr. J. B. T. Merrick who observed his 88th on Valentine's Day and was honored by a dinner given by his daughter Mrs. Edgar Hurlock and Mr. Hurlock, the invited guests were Mrs. W. C. Smith, Mrs. Nelson Brown and Miss Fannie Wallace.

Mrs. Norris Hall and daughters, Doris Ann and Nancy enjoyed dinner on Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dawson of Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall and daughter Marcia of Arlington, Va., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Jones and family.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rhodes, its a boy, name, Gregory, weight, 9 lbs., 1-1/2 oz., born on February

11th, which was also Mrs. Rhodes' birthday. Best wishes to all.

Mrs. Melvin Atkinson of Pennsylvania spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. McFarland.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cannon and children of Wye Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kimbles Jr., and children of Price, visited during the week with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Leonard.

Little Miss Patricia Cloud of Annapolis is spending sometime with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Barwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Walls and Mr. and Mrs. John Kirby spent the weekend at a Deer Hunters Party at the Tremont Inn, Glen Burnie. And their daughter, Miss Penny Walls, spent the weekend with Miss Bonnie Peirson, Queenstown.

Mrs. Bessie Starkey and Miss Adelaide Palmaro attended a birthday party given for Mrs.

Edna George at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jacqueline of Rock Hall. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Browne of Philadelphia, Pa., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Barwick.

Recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Lucas were, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howat of Claymont, Del.

Mrs. Helen Rhodes spent the past week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ross of Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. W. C. Smith returned to her home last Thursday after spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. E. E. Dryden and her niece, Mrs. Mary Adams of Glen Burnie.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Larrimore entertained at dinner on Sunday in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Miss Wendy Larrimore also the birthday of Mr. Robert Palmatory of Starr, other guests were the Misses Helen Ann and Peggy Cahall of Wye Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Larrimore and son Dale of near Centerville and Mrs. John Eddie Larrimore and daughter Vickie Ann of near town.

Mrs. Margaret Newnam had as guests on Sunday afternoon, Mrs. B. Henry Appleford, and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Appleford of Elkton, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Coppage entertained the Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Helms and daughter Sherrie at dinner on Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Jaquett was a guest at a small luncheon party given by Mrs. Carter Hickman last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Lucas and daughter Miss Nancy Lucas visited in Wilmington, Del., on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mamie Walbert spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Tilden Storey.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Willis spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert C. Golder and Mrs. June Willis of Doyer to help celebrate the seventh birthday of their granddaughter, Sharon Sue Willis. And on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Willis enjoyed dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. Floyd Layton and children Debbie and Jeffrey of Milford, Del.

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Morton Memo

By Congressman Rogers C. B. Morton
Representing The Eastern Shore

Morton Sees Opportunity And Danger In Puerto Rico
I want briefly to discuss one of the brighter aspects of United States policy with our neighbors to the South, and, at the same time, a hidden danger that deserves the attention of all Americans. For Puerto Rico is both.

Puerto Rico is not only a Commonwealth whose residents share common citizenship with you and me, and whose sons have served with valor when our national security has been challenged -- but also Puerto Rico is of great strategic importance to the United States, and is a showcase of democracy and economic progress in the troubled Caribbean. Only 800 miles of water separate San Juan from Havana, the Capitol of Castro's Cuba, but the gulf between them in free government and republican institutions is vast indeed.

I have been told that the bonds between the people of Puerto Rico and Cuba are very close and very strong; that they are like two wings of the same bird. Puerto Rico and Cuba were both liberated in the same war and I know everyone listening shares with me the conviction that there can be no real security in the Caribbean until Cuba is free again.

What Castro wants more than anything else -- what he must have to survive -- is public acceptance that Communism in Cuba is permanent, that it is the wave of the future, and that it is irreversible. Acceptance of that idea by the world is more important to Castro than any other issue confronting him. He must never be given this recognition or respect.

No pronouncement from Washington -- no grandiose government give-away program -- not even a missile crisis -- none of these shows up Castro for what he is -- and what he is not -- as does the prosperity and development of Puerto Rico as a bastion of freedom and

free enterprise in volunteer partnership with the United States.

And right here lies the danger. The Castro regime serves as an agent for foreign Communist domination in the Western Hemisphere -- and Cuba serves as the jumping off point for Communist terrorism, sabotage and subversion throughout the Caribbean and Central South America. Only this past week, newspaper columnists, expert in the area, have written of the existence of Castro-sponsored agents and arms in Puerto Rico. My inquiries to government security organizations have so far failed to substantiate these reports. However, this matter underscores

the urgency to encourage the continued development of Puerto Rico as a case history of how democracy works. And these stories, true or half-true, serve to alert us once again to the danger of Castro Communism in our midst.

Last year, the President of the United States authorized the establishment of a government Commission to study the status of Puerto Rico. I have only this week been named as one of two members of the House of Representatives to serve on this Commission. One of our tasks will be to evaluate the relationship between Puerto Rico and the United States and to determine whether its long range political destiny should be as a Commonwealth, as it is now, or

that of statehood or independence.

But there is another important role that the Commission can fulfill. It can serve to sharpen the contrasts between Puerto Rico and Cuba before the entire world. And it can serve as a warning to Castro, and to his bosses in the Soviet Union, that the United States will not tolerate further interference with peace and freedom in this hemisphere.

In Puerto Rico there is a saying that one should take pride in his house, but keep the windows open on all sides to let in fresh breezes. The relationship between Puerto Rico and the United States is mutually beneficial. The United States has helped Puerto Rico and bears a special responsibility for its welfare. But Puerto Rico has also advanced the interests of the United States and the cause of liberty.

Our relationship is built on a sound partnership held together by friendship and mutual interest. We are showing the world

that these qualities can cement bonds that go beyond legal definitions and geographic distances. There is much the world can learn from this, but unfortunately in places like Cuba and the Soviet Union, they keep their windows closed -- even in the springtime.

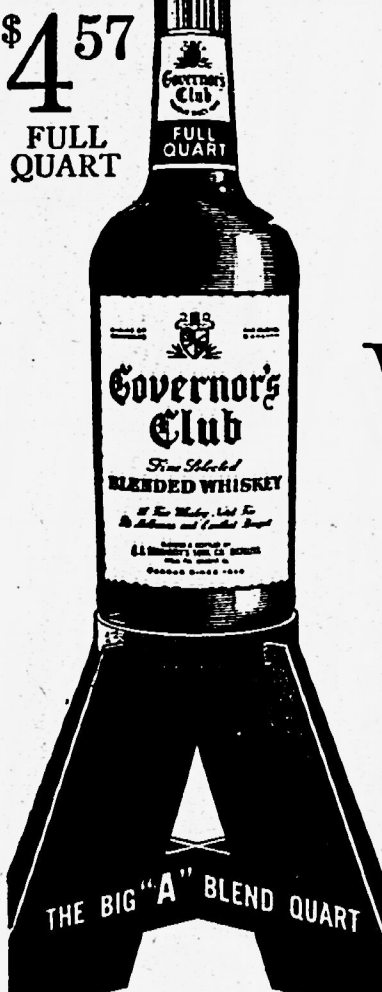
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